

King's Coronation Celebrations

Come along to our very own village picnic to celebrate the coronation of His Majesty, King Charles III on Sunday, 7th May from 1pm. Bring your own picnic and join in the fun and games! Enter all the competitions - the best Royal Crown, Decorated Wheelbarrow and the best and tastiest Coronation Cake. There will be wonderful entertainment and plenty to do. To see what's on, look out for the special notice in this magazine.



Work on the Recreation Ground

You may have seen some work being carried out on the recreation ground. The Parish Council have recently hired a contractor to get the water supply back onto the recreation ground. We have installed a new standpipe near the car park and the water can eventually be connect to the new pavilion.

Parish Council/Village Emergency Plan

Councillors approved its Parish Council/Village Emergency Plan. The plan was brought about so that councillors can support residents should a major incident take place. In the event of an incident, Montacute Parish Council will provide support, coordination and local knowledge for the Emergency Services to assist them with in their immediate response.

Somerset Council

As you know the new Unitary Authority came into being on 1st April bring together the four district councils of Somerset and the county council. Your Somerset Council councillors are Mike Hewitson and Oliver Patrick. They are both committed to making sure residents have a Council that is responsive and works for them.

Should you need to contact the Somerset Council, the telephone number is 0300 123 2224 or visit their website – www.somerset.gov.uk.

Council Tax – Support Available

Many of us are finding it difficult to make ends meet with the soaring cost of food, electricity and many other household bills. Unfortunately, the Council Tax bills which were delivered to households throughout March also reflected an increase. This is due to Government funding cuts, soaring inflation and extra demands on services. That said, any increase in prices is difficult for those on the lowest incomes, and Somerset Council have introduced a county-wide 100% Council Tax discount for the first time ever. If you would like more information please go to <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/how-the-council-works/council-tax-reduction/>

CRIME & ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

For any advice and further/up-to-date information on incidents please go to the website: www.police.uk. If you are a witness to or the victim of a crime, then it is imperative that you report it to the police immediately whether it is during the day or at night. When reporting an incident please telephone either 101 for non-emergencies or 999 for emergencies only.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Parish Council meetings are held in the Village Hall on the third Wednesday of every month with the exception of August and December. The next meeting will be the Annual Parish Council meeting followed by the Ordinary Parish Council meeting on **Wednesday 17th May 2023 at 7pm**. Parish Council meetings are open to the press and public, so residents are

welcome to come along and listen to what we have to say. There is also a short public session at the beginning of every Ordinary Parish Council meeting.

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